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SUBJECT: HAROLD WILLIAM LETTER RE E.O. - IMPROVING GOVERNMENT

REGULATIONS

- + RESPONSE DUE TO RICK HUTCHESON STAFF SECRETARY (456-7052) +
- + BY:

ACTION REQUESTED: FOR YOUR INFORMATION

STAFF RESPONSE: () I CONCUR. () NO COMMENT. () HOLD.

PLEASE NOTE OTHER COMMENTS BELOW:

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FROM PRESIDENT'S OUTBOX

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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The Honorable Jimmy Carter President of the United States The White House Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

Thank you for your letter of March 23, 1978, enclosing a copy of the Executive Order "Improving Government Regulations" and suggesting that the independent regulatory commissions "initiate a voluntary effort to achieve similar procedural reforms."

For reasons described in a letter, dated December 22, 1977, from the General Counsel of the Commission to the Associate Director For Management and Regulatory Policy of the Office of Management and Budget, the Commission was concerned that the Order, if applied to the independent agencies, could vitiate the important benefits derived from this agency's independence, interpreted in the light of our experience in administering the federal securities laws. Thus, the Commission is gratified that the Order, as promulgated, acknowledges the unique status of the independent agencies.

Nonetheless, recognizing the value of improvements of the kind incorporated in your Executive Order, the Commission will undertake to examine, in connection with its ongoing efforts towards procedural reform, the utility of the provisions of the Order. Moreover, in accordance with your request, the Commission will report the results of its examination to you and to the Congress by June 30, 1978.

espectfully yours,

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Chairman